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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (previously presented) A resin pipe which is formed by injection molding from a resin or a resin compound, wherein said resin is an alloy resin of a blend of a polyamide resin with a resin having a water absorption no higher than 0.3%, said polyamide resin is selected from a polyamide obtained from metaxylylenediamine and adipic acid, and a polyamide resin obtained from ε-caprolactam, and said resin pipe has a tapered inner surface to facilitate demolding such that the taper angle (Θ) satisfies the following relationship:

 $0.5 \times 10^{13} < \tan \Theta < 3.5 \times 10^{-3}$

- 2. (original) The resin pipe as defined in claim 1, which is an electrically conductive resin pipe formed by injection molding from an electrically conductive resin compound composed of a thermoplastic resin and a conducting material dispersed therein.
 - 3. (canceled)
- 4. (original) The resin pipe as defined in claim 1, which contains a reinforcing inorganic filler dispersed therein.
- 5. (original) The resin pipe as defined in claim 1, which is a base for a photosensitive drum.
- 6. (currently amended) A resin pipe formed by injection molding from a thermoplastic resin or a resin compound based on a thermoplastic resin, said resin pipe comprising:



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an integrally molded projection that radially protrudes outward from an opposite inner end of an outer surface of the resin pipe to an outer end of said resin pipe having a flange and a driving gear formed integrally therewith, wherein the sectional geometry of said projection is selected from a group consisting of triangle, trapezoid, curved object with a round top and a slope, and semi-sphere.

- 7. (previously presented) The resin pipe as defined in Claim 6, wherein the projection is a flange formed on the entire circumference of one end of the outer surface.
- 8. (previously presented) The resin pipe as defined in Claim 6, which is a cylindrical base for a photosensitive drum that is mounted in an electrophotographic apparatus or an electrostatic recording apparatus.
- 9. (original) The resin pipe as defined in claim 6, which is formed from a resin compound containing as the thermoplastic resin at least one species selected from a polyamide resin obtained from metaxylylenediamine and adipic acid, and polyamide resin obtained from E-caprolactam, and an alloy resin obtained by blending a polyamide resin with a resin having a water absorption to higher than 0.3%.

Claims 10-22. (canceled)

